

# Palm Sunday



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**Palm Sunday**

*The assembly gathers outside the usual worship space so they may enter in procession. Palm branches are distributed before the service begins.*

Processional Gospel (Intern).....Luke 19:28-40

Blessing of the Palms.....

**Intern:** Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

**Intern:** Let us go forth in peace,

**C: In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Processional Hymn..... “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” .....#344

*Verses 1-2 & 5 all, Verse 3 Women, Verse 4 Men*

**P:** Christ humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death--even death<sup>l</sup> on a cross.

**C: Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above<sup>l</sup> ev'ry name.**

The Prayer of the Day.....

**A:** Let us pray.

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross.

In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

East Koshkonong Church Choir..... “Worthy, You are Worthy”

First Lesson.....Isaiah 50:4-9a  
*Spark NRSV Bible Page 792, Pew Bible Page 594*

**Lector:** Word of God, Word of Life

**Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.**

Hymn..... *“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!”* .....#346

The Gospel.....Luke 23:1-49  
*Spark NRSV Pg. 1165, Pew Bible Pg. 859*

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon.....Pastor Clint Schnekloth

Mission Moment.....Jens Notstad

Hymn..... *“There in God’s Garden”* .....#342  
*Verses 1-3*

The Apostles Creed.....

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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**A:** Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer**

Sharing of the Peace.....

**~The Meal~**

Offering .....*Aria/St. Matthew Passion*.....By J.S. Bach

Hymn..... "*Create in Me a Clean Heart*".....#186

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Communion .....

*You are invited to sing the following hymns during the  
distribution of Communion:*

***"Jesus Remember Me" # 616 3X***

Post Communion Prayer.....

**A:** Compassionate God,  
you have fed us with the bread of heaven.  
Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage:  
may our fasting be hunger for justice;  
our alms, a making of peace;  
and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**



Blessing.....

**P:** The God who formed us in love,  
who renews us through grace,  
and who will transform us into glory,  
+ bless you this day and always.

**C: Amen.**

Hymn..... *“There in God’s Garden”* .....#342  
verses 4-6

**P:** Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

Postlude..... *Banner Of The Cross*.....By R.McGee

*~Worship Assistants~*

**Assisting Minister** ~ Arvid Mathison

**Reader** ~ Peggy Luther

**Acolytes** ~ Seth Wagner & Kolt Wegner

**Greeter** ~ Ken Rockney **Ushers** ~ Joy Circle

**Communion Set-up/Take down** ~ Jackie & Scott Zahn

**Communion Assistants** ~ Arvid & Linda Mathison

**Organist** ~ Audre Kurowski

# **Palm Sunday Brunch**

Today following worship the Confirmation Class will be serving a Palm Sunday Brunch. Please join us for a delicious breakfast and wonderful fellowship.

## *~ Prayer Requests ~*

### **Thanksgiving to God for...**

- East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry
- Travis, Jen and Audrey Ann Lauer
- Bridget, Jesse and Kinsley Johnson
- Prayers for the ministries of Arden and Jana Haug, Lindsay Stolen, and Jens Notstad
- Healthy pregnancy and upcoming births
- Alexandra Oates returning home from her service in Iraq.

### **God's guidance and direction for...**

- Please keep the families of Carol Murwin\*, Mike Forrer and Erik Smithback in your thoughts and prayers as we express sympathy for their loss.
- For the people of Haiti and Chile
- For true repentance
- Those suffering from cancer and other long time illnesses
- Those who are struggling because of the recession or job loss
- For peace in Afghanistan, Pakistan and Taiwan.
- For those suffering from infertility or difficult pregnancies.

### **God's protection and safety for those being deployed...**

- Please remember all our veterans. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and service to their country.
- SSGT John Calhoun    - Matt Bissen                      - SSGT Paul Johnson
- Cpl Jacob Janes        -LTC Eric Killen

### **Healing and health concerns...**

- Carol Barfknecht            -Ishula Webb                      -Jan Christensen-Goecke
- Roxanne Wildes            -Bret May                          -Betty Alder
- Joyce Krull                 -Cody Wolf                        -John Brownell
- Gloria Anderson           -Barbara Collins

Please note: If you have a prayer request and want it put in the bulletin, please write it down on the back of the communion/welcome card or notify the office before noon on Wednesday. Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. Please continue to pray for those who have been removed.

Prayer requests week of 3-21-2010

\*Denotes new/changed request

## ~ Announcements ~

*Welcome visitors! Thank you for taking the time to fill out the communion card provided by the ushers. We believe that the host of the meal provided during worship today is Christ. Christ invites everyone to this meal, saying, "This is for you for the forgiveness of sin." Echoing Christ, we invite everyone to this banquet. If you would like to receive deeper instruction in the Christian faith; if you desire to be baptized; or if you simply seek someone to pray with or for you, inquire of the pastor or indicate the need on the communion card. Grape juice is in the center ring of the communion tray.*

- **Church Office is closed Thursday April 1, Friday, April 2 and Monday April 6th.**
- **The Cambridge Food Pantry & Resource Center** will be closed from Friday, March 26th to Sunday, April 4th. We are next open for donations on Monday, April 5th from 9 - 1 p.m., and 4 - 5 p.m. Please continue to save your brown handled grocery bags to donate to the pantry. Happy Easter!
- **The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)** is preparing a social statement on genetics to be considered by the 2011 Churchwide Assembly. The 2005 Churchwide Assembly mandated the development of this statement. This document is the **draft** of that social statement and will be revised following discussion throughout the church. The deadline for submitting comments is **October 15, 2010**. **Copies of the Social Statement are available in the narthex, or on-line at [www.elca.org/genetics](http://www.elca.org/genetics)**
- **On Sunday, March 28 at 2pm, in the Skaalen Chapel**, there will be a benefit concert for the Auxiliary featuring **The Bel Canto Singer and the Country Chordsmen**, (also known as the Men's and Women's Chorus' of the Cambridge/Deerfield area). Under the direction of Judy Brandt, each group will perform individually and then will join their voices together for a number of special selections. Admissions to the concert is a free-will donation and includes a dessert fellowship following the concert. Proceeds from the event will be applied to the Auxiliary projects for 2010. The Auxiliary would like to thank Judy and the choir members for their support of the Auxiliary programs. This is sure to be a great concert – come and join us!
- **The Christian Concert, featuring the ANCHORMEN** will be at the Fireside Theatre on May 18, 2010. A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board in Friendship Hall. Tickets are \$34.95 per person (gratuity not included). Arrival time is 10:30 a.m. Please make payment to Jo Lee by April 27, 2010.
- **May 23rd celebrate Pentecost with music by Jonathon Rundman.** We will also be recognizing our graduating seniors.
- **Join us during the Easter season for a preaching series on the resurrection in the book of John.**



### **March 28 ~ Palm Sunday**

9:00am ~ Worship with communion and Procession of the palms

10:15am ~ Palm Sunday Breakfast hosted by confirmation class

On this joyous Palm Sunday, we are pleased to greet each worshiper and extend a hearty "Welcome!" Let us be in the same spirit as those who shouted "Hosanna to the Son of David!" Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! As Jesus entered Jerusalem.

### **April 1 ~ Maundy Thursday**

4:30 ~ First Communion class

6:00pm ~ Worship

Maundy Thursday commemorates the evening just before the crucifixion when Jesus and his friends broke bread together for the Last Supper. It was at this Last Supper that Jesus instituted the Eucharist or what we call communion. We welcome all, in remembrance of Him, to share this Holy Thursday. Many youth receive their first communion at this service

### **April 2 ~ Good Friday**

6:00pm ~ Worship at East Koshkonong Lutheran Church

Good Friday is a day of terrible suffering and sacrifice, a day of crucifixion. We invite you to join hearts and hands in remembrance of He who bore his crown of thorns willingly, arose from the dead, and defeated death that we might have eternal life.

### **April 4 ~ Easter Sunday**

6:30am ~ Sunrise Worship at the Upper Church

7:45am - 8:45am ~ Easter Egg Hunt

9:00am ~ Easter Worship at the Lower Church

The Lord is risen! Hallelujah! On Easter Sunday, we celebrate the foundation of our faith: the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is with exceeding joy that we welcome all who come to recall Christ's victory over sin and death. Rejoice, dear friends